ORDER OF WORSHIP

Lord's Day, December 17, 2023

I waited patiently for the LORD; And He inclined to me, And heard my cry. He also brought me up out of a horrible pit, Out of the miry clay, And set my feet upon a rock, And established my steps. He has put a new song in my mouth -- Praise to our God; Many will see it and fear, And will trust in the LORD. (Psalm 40:1-3)

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Prelude: [Welcome, Announcements]

Preparation for Worship:

Silent Prayer & Meditation

*God's Call to Worship

(see above)

*Confession of our need for God's grace (Psalm 124:8):

"Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth"

*God's Greeting to His People

(1Cor. 1:3)

*Song of Response

Psalter 40B (1,2,3)

*Opening Prayer

God's Law

Romans 12:1-2; 9-21

Prayer of Confession and Praise

(God's assurance: Psalm 32:1,2,5)

*Song of Praise

Psalter 32C (all)

Confession of Faith

(see bulletin)

Prayer of Requests with Thanksgiving

Worship in giving of Tithes and Offerings

*Song of Preparation

Psalter 119M (all)

Prayer for God's Blessing on His Word

Scripture Reading:

1Corinthians 6:12-20; Romans 6:15-23

Sermon (Rev. Hamid):

1Corinthians 6:20

*Respond in Song

Psalter-Hymnal #448 (all)

*Benediction (God's parting Word of blessing)

(1Peter 5:10-11)

*(Moment of Silent Meditation/Prayer)

Sermon: 1Corinthians 6:20

Believers, having been ransomed from sin, are to use this liberty to the glory of God.

We see that:

- 1. They are ransomed from sin by Christ and are therefore "owned" by Him.
- 2. As His, they are not to use their liberty with indifference nor to sin.
- 3. Instead, they are to glorify Him in body and spirit.

The church is called to be a confessing church, that she may be, the pillar and ground of the truth (1Tim. 3:15,16)

The Westminster Confession of Faith

Chapter 20—Of Christian Liberty, and Liberty of Conscience

WCF 20.2 God alone is Lord of the conscience,(1) and hath left it free from the doctrines and commandments of men, which are, in anything, contrary to His Word, or beside it, in matters of faith or worship.(2) So that to believe such doctrines, or to obey such commands out of conscience, is to betray true liberty of conscience:(3) and the requiring of an implicit faith, and an absolute and blind obedience, is to destroy liberty of conscience, and reason also.(4)

(1)James 4:12; Rom. 14:4.

(2)Acts 4:19; Acts 5:29; 1 Cor. 7:23; Matt. 23:8,9,10; 2 Cor. 1:24; Matt. 15:9.

(3)Col. 2:20,22,23; Gal. 1:10; Gal. 2:4,5; Gal. 5:1.

(4)Rom. 10:17; Rom. 14:23; Isa. 8:20; Acts 17:11; John 4:22; Hos. 5:11;

Rev. 13:12,16,17; Jer. 8:9.

WCF 20.3 They who, upon pretence of Christian liberty, do practice any sin, or cherish any lust, do thereby destroy the end of Christian liberty; which is, that, being delivered out of the hands of our enemies, we might serve the Lord without fear, in holiness and righteousness before Him, all the days of our life.(1)

(1)Gal. 5:13; 1 Pet. 2:16; 2 Pet. 2:19; John 8:34; Luke 1:74,75.

WCF 20.4 And because the powers which God hath ordained, and the liberty which Christ hath purchased, are not intended by God to destroy, but mutually to uphold and preserve one another; they who, upon pretence of Christian liberty, shall oppose any lawful power, or the lawful exercise of it, whether it be civil or ecclesiastical, resist the ordinance of God.(1) And, for their publishing of such opinions, or maintaining of such practices, as are contrary to the light of nature, or to the known principles of Christianity (whether concerning faith, worship, or conversation), or to the power of godliness; or, such erroneous opinions or practices, as either in their own nature, or in the manner of publishing or maintaining them, are destructive to the external peace and order which Christ hath established in the Church, they may lawfully be called to account,(2) and proceeded against, by the censures of the Church, and by the power or the civil magistrate.

(1)Matt. 12:25; 1 Pet. 2:13,14,16; Rom. 13:1-8; Heb. 13:17. (2)Rom. 1:32; 1 Cor. 5:1,5,11,13; 2 John 10,11; 2 Thess. 3:14; 1 Tim. 6:3,4,5; Tit. 1:10,11,13; Tit. 3:10; Matt. 18:15,16,17; 1 Tim. 1:19,20; Rev. 2:2,14,15,20; Rev. 3:9. (3)Deut. 13:6-12; Rom. 13:3,4; 2 John 10,11; Ezra 7:23,25-28; Rev. 17:12,16,17; Neh. 13:15,17,21,22,25,30; 2 Kings 23:5,6,9,20,21; 2 Chron. 15:12,13,16; Dan. 3:29; 1 Tim. 2:2; Isa. 49:23; Zech. 13:2,3.

CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Wednesday's (6:00 PM)—Bible Study class (**DV resume Jan./24**).
- <u>Pizza & Theology—Last Friday of month; 6: 00-8:00 PM</u> ["Theology" is about discussing biblical truth for all of faith and life]

OFFERING: Dec. 10/23—\$ <u>1,497.00</u>

PRAYER REQUESTS

BE FAITHFUL IN PRAYER: (Email your requests for prayer!)
"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with

thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God" (Phil. 4:6)

Pray for our <u>country</u>, <u>gov't and world</u>; for <u>persecuted Church in the world</u>.

<u>Pray for King's</u>: (Sermon-Audio, website)

- Personal concerns and issues in each of our lives.
 God's blessing in our work, and all we do, as service to Him.
 Parents training children (to know God's blessing and grace to persevere).
 Pray for widows (Psalm 68:5; James 1:27). Pray for Kiersten (expecting).
 Pray for Pastor's safe return from Suriname (Dec.19), and for Sharilyn's safe return from Panama (Dec.20).
- HEALTH: PTL for our health...and restoration to health. Rev. Gibson
- LOVED ONES: Friends & family serving in the military
 Holly's parents (father's better health and God's grace to them).
 Elder Burrell's parents (health); Diana's mother (kidney disease).
 Modolo's in Italy (homeschooling, family matters, translation projects).

<u>Pray for ministry to the preborn:</u> Pregnancy Centers in our area (Agape). Gibsons (website & outreach); Michele (Orlando). Legislation in states & in Florida; to stop abortions.

<u>Pray for Regional Presbytery and the ministry of sister Churches:</u>
First Presbyterian Church (FPC) in Suriname (Rev. Hamid).
Heritage Reformed Presbyterian Church (HRPC) in NC (Rev. Booher);
Pray for covenant children, the youth, and single adults in our churches.

Pray for King's mission work through Reformation Christian Ministries:

All who work with RCM (Offices & Boards in US & Canada; GNBS). Students in College & Seminary.

CLA (Suriname) End of first Semester; construction project.

SALT (ministry of Pastor Poettcker with RCM)

Pray for blessing on our worship in Tithes & Offerings.

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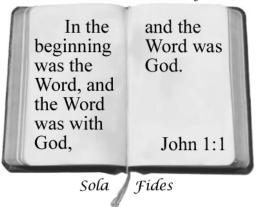
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